



Village of Wellington
Florida

Budget in Brief
Fiscal Year 2007-2008

Vision 2022

Wellington 2022
is a village for Family
Living with a reputation as a
World Class Equestrian Community
and a Regional Business and Job Center

Wellington 2022 has Beautiful Neighborhoods
with High Quality Homes, and has
Preserved the Natural Florida Environment

In 2022, Wellington residents enjoy
Personal Safety and Security
Excellent Education for a Lifetime
Leisure Amenities and Opportunities for an
Active Lifestyle

We take Pride in Wellington and
contribute to a great future.

Mission

The Village of Wellington is
Financially Sustainable, provides
Superior Municipal Services in a Cost-
Effective Manner and is Investing in
Well-Designed, Well-Maintained Village
Infrastructure

The Village Engages Our Citizens
in Community Governance and
Advocates for the Interests of
Wellington

Elected Officials



Thomas M. Wenham
Mayor



Robert S. Margolis
Vice Mayor



Lizbeth Benacquisto
Councilwoman



Laurie S. Cohen
Councilwoman



Dr. Carmine A. Priore
Councilman

Senior Leadership Team

Charles H. Lynn, AICP
Village Manager

Francine L. Ramaglia, CPA
*Director of Administrative &
Financial Services*

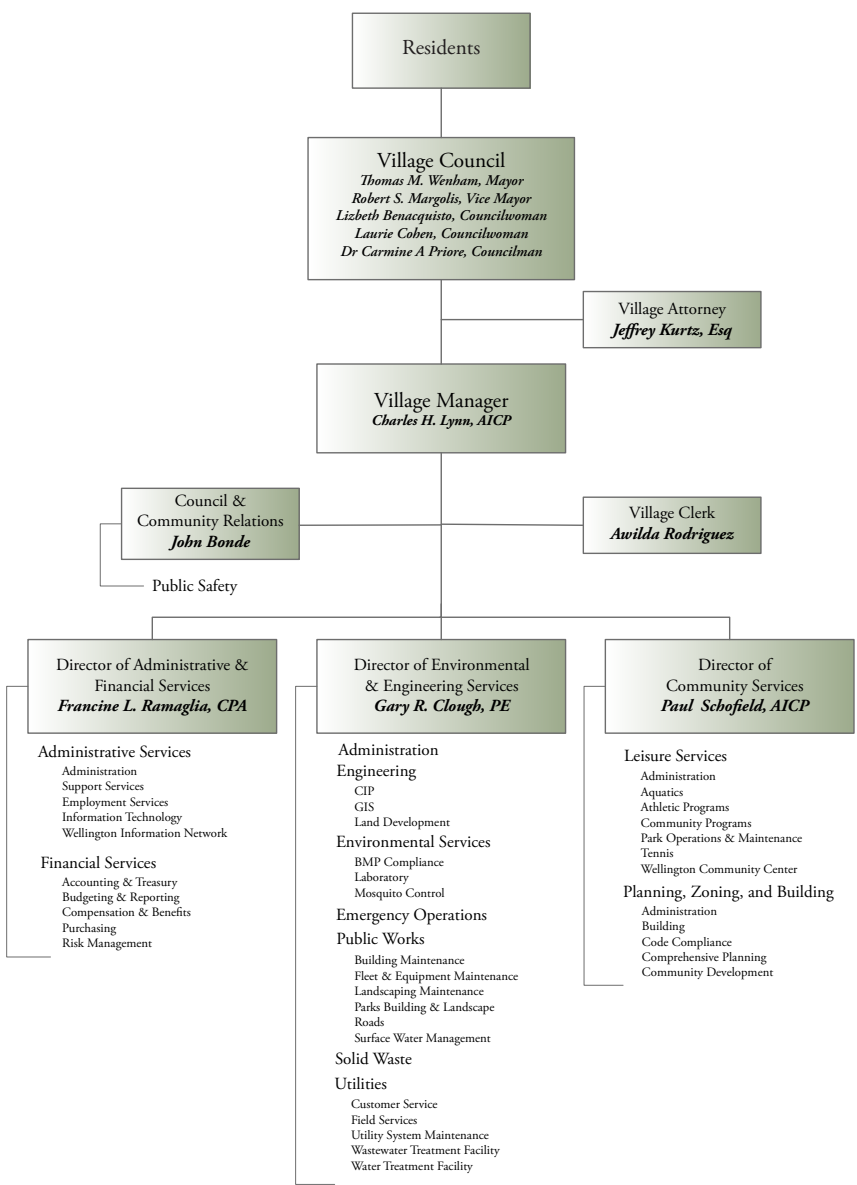
Gary R. Clough, PE
*Director of Environmental &
Engineering Services*

Paul Schofield, AICP
*Director of Community
Services*

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Organizational Structure



We would like to express our appreciation to all the Department Directors and Managers, the Finance staff and the various staff members of other departments for their exceptional contributions.



VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON



To the Village Council and the Residents of the Village of Wellington:

It is my privilege to present the 2007/2008 Budget-in-Brief. I am especially pleased that this year's budget is a direct result of our recently implemented strategic planning process. The Village's strategic goals focus on outcome-based objectives and potential actions for the next fifteen years. The underlying principles for this plan define the responsibility of the Village and frame the primary services or core service businesses that the Village provides to our residents.

Using the basis of the newly developed Service Business Hierarchy to align Village resources to available funds, the Village made decisions on the allocation of human and financial resources to achieve long and short-term goals and objectives set forth by the Village Council.

Our Service Business Philosophy and Strategic Planning Process were tested this year with the introduction of House Bill 1B in the Florida legislature, requiring Wellington to adopt a millage equal to the 2006 rollback less 9%. That represents a cut of almost .4 mills from 2007 or a reduction of nearly \$3 million in property taxes. Due to these required reductions and the projected increases in operating costs, the budget required a cut of approximately \$7 million. The strategic planning process allowed the Village to match the reduced resources available with the services required by residents.

Initial actions in response to the proposed reform were to evaluate staffing and capital expenditures. In the coming budget years, the Village has several obstacles still to overcome, including further property tax reform, the end of the considerable growth, deferrals of fixed asset replacements and capital projects, future debt service millage, and planned future capital project funding.

Notwithstanding this backdrop of uncertainty, the budget proposal is fiscally sound due to decisions made by Council, management and staff over the past budget cycle. We are certain that the new strategic plan, revised budget and capital improvement processes will ensure that the Village is well prepared to plan for the future. The adopted fiscal year 2007/2008 budget is the culmination of the diligent efforts of many people, including senior staff, managers and staff Village-wide who participated in the planning and execution of our extensive public outreach on the budget. The Village Council dedicated many hours to gathering citizen input and priorities on the proposed budget, their review of the program and capital budgets, their guidance to staff and for their leadership on many critical financial issues.

Thank you to the residents of Wellington who participated in the public meetings, workshops, forums and hearings on the 2007/2008 budget. Their willingness to share their thoughts, priorities and concerns strengthen our community.

We look forward to working with the Village Council and residents in the coming year to build on this strong foundation of achievement and success.

Sincerely,

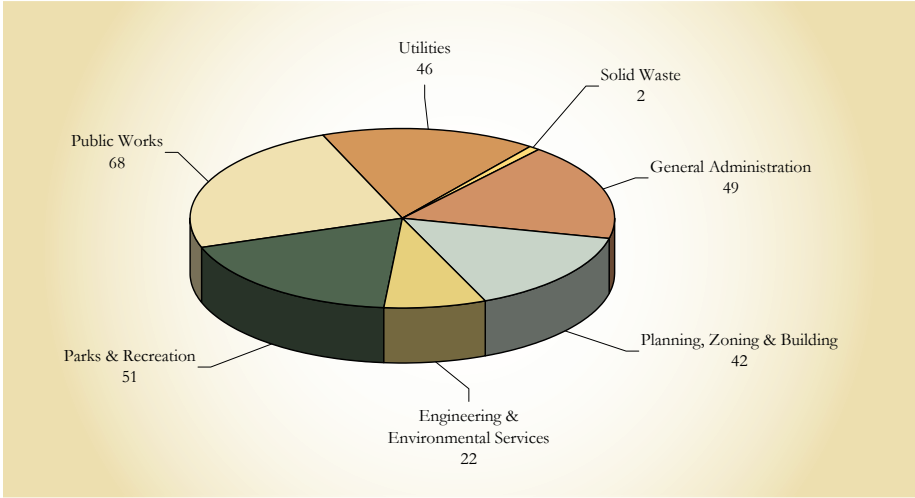
Charles H. Lynn, AICP
Village Manager

Adopted Fiscal Year 2008 Budget

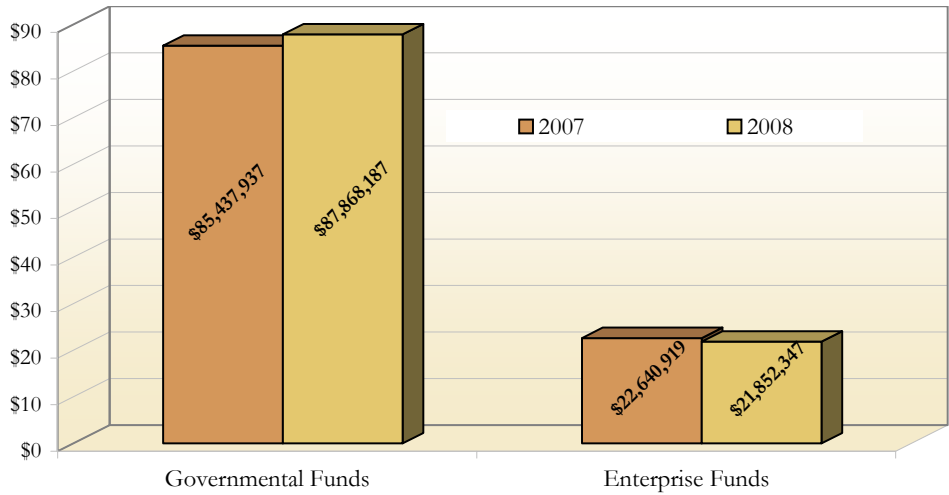
	Adopted 2007/2008
OPERATING	
General Government	\$36,459,870
Surface Water Management	1,953,645
Solid Waste	2,229,187
Utilities	8,164,128
Total Operating Budget	\$48,806,830
CAPITAL	
General Government	\$9,175,023
Surface Water Management	1,181,671
Solid Waste	-
Utilities	8,582,485
Total Capital Projects (All Funds - Year 1 of 5&10 year plan)	\$18,939,179
DEBT SERVICE (All Funds)	5,737,366
TOTAL**	\$73,483,375

**Does not include transfers

Adopted Fiscal Year 2008 Positions



Adopted 2007 Budget vs Adopted 2008 Budget (including transfers)



Financial Condition

- ◆ Decrease in ad valorem tax rate to state mandated tax reform rate
- ◆ No change in utility rates since 1994
- ◆ Increase in Solid Waste Collection Assessment from \$125 to \$129
- ◆ Tax base of \$7.8 billion, which will generate approximately \$17.3 million in ad valorem tax revenues
- ◆ Employees per capita consistent with similar sized municipalities
- ◆ Parks & Recreation level of service at 10 acres of park land per thousand population
- ◆ Bond Rating: AAA (insured) and AA (underlying) from Fitch and A2 (underlying government) Aa3 (underlying utilities) from Moody's

Recognition of Fiscal Performance and Accountability

- ◆ GFOA Awards for CAFR and Budget Presentation for 12 years including special recognitions
- ◆ No corrective internal control or management comments from independent auditors since incorporation in 1996
- ◆ Selected by ICMA for its "Best Practices in Budgeting"
- ◆ "Peer Review" of financial operations resulted in overall A

Capital Improvement Plan

Municipal governments provide needed and desired services to the public. In order to provide these services, the Village must furnish and maintain capital facilities and equipment, such as roadways and parks. Capital improvements are physical assets, constructed or purchased, that generally have a minimum cost of \$25,000 and an expected useful life of more than one year. Annually, the Village adopts a five year CIP that schedules needed improvements, and is used in the annual budget process to determine capital expenditures.

2007/2008 Governmental CIP & Fixed Assets Total \$10,356,693	2007/2008 Enterprise CIP & Fixed Assets Total \$8,582,485
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Major Landscape Projects



Roadway Overlays & Pedestrian Paths



WWTP Expansion and Reuse Facilities



Lake Shore Erosion



Perimeter paths and Landscape Irrigation



South Shore Boulevard



SR-7 Retention Area



Mast Arm Replacement



Pump Station 2



Ongoing Maintenance Programs

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|--|------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| • Beautiful Wellington Walls, Fencing & Hedging Projects | • Neighborhood Parks Program | • Canal Re-dredging/Bank Stabilization | • Turn Lanes/Intersection Improvement | • Traffic Signal Replacement | • Road Roundabouts |
| • Pedestrian Paths/Roadway Overlays/Shellrock Programs | • Equestrian Master Plan | • Culvert Replacements | • Annual Parks Maintenance | • BMP Program | • Perimeter Paths and Landscaping |

Your Tax Dollars at Work!

2000.....	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Wellington Community Center	Gymnasium, Football & Soccer Fields at Village Park	Veterans Memorial	Village Park Phase II			
Spray ground and Slides at WCC Aquatics Complex	Ball Fields, Concession & Storage Buildings at Olympia Park	Pierson Road Extension				

2008
Flying Cow Road Paving
Lake Shore Erosion
State Road 7 Retention Area

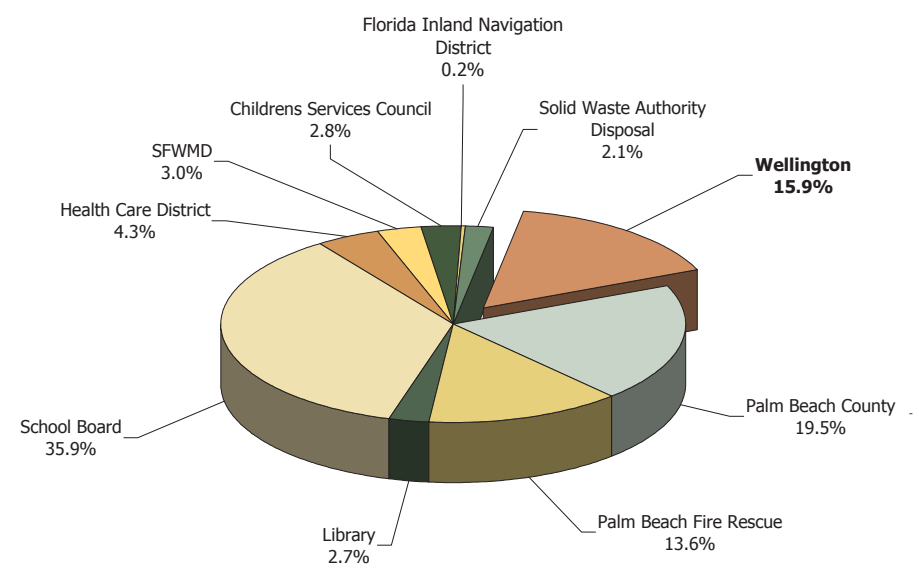
Planning for Your Future Needs!

2009.....			2012
Community Park Baseball Fields	Section 24 Educational Building	FPL Corridor Landscaping	
Village Park Second Entry	Renovations at WCC & Aquatics Complex	Big Blue Landscaping	Sports Netting
Municipal Governmental Complex	Development of Park Site K	Lake Worth Road Expansion	

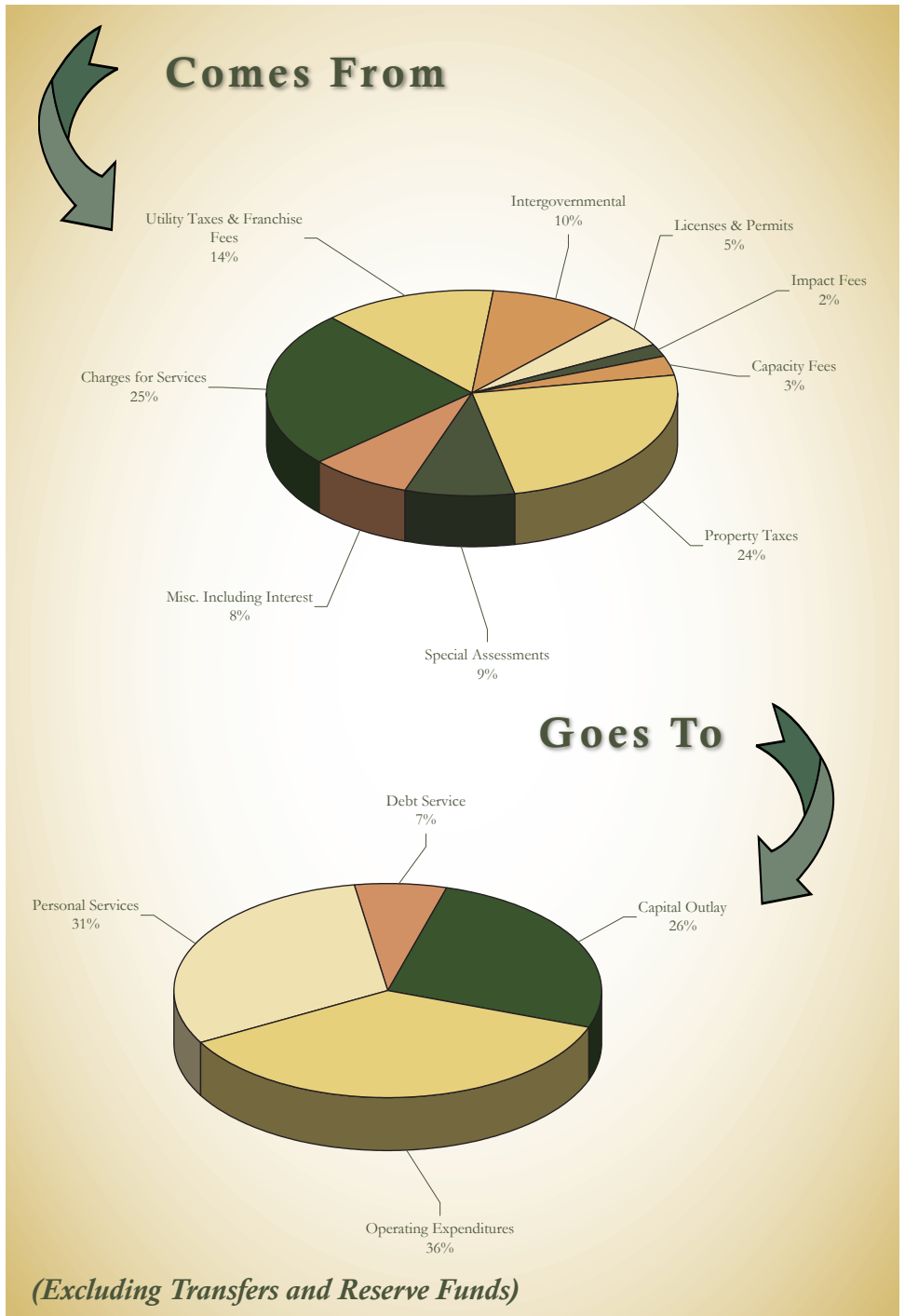
Components of Tax Bill

Ad Valorem Taxes	Adopted		Prior Year	
	Millage	Tax Bill at \$300,000 Value	2006/2007 Millage	Tax Bill at \$300,000 Value
Village of Wellington	2.3400	\$702.00	2.7000	\$810.00
Palm Beach County	3.7811	1,134.33	4.2800	1,284.00
Palm Beach Fire Rescue	2.7794	833.82	2.9800	894.00
Library	0.4970	149.10	0.5650	169.50
Palm Beach County Debt	0.2002	60.06	0.1975	59.25
Library Debt	0.0471	14.13	0.0339	10.17
School Board	7.3560	2,206.80	7.8720	2,361.60
Health Care District	0.8900	267.00	0.9700	291.00
SFWMD	0.6240	187.20	0.6241	187.23
Childrens Services Council	0.5823	174.69	0.6199	185.97
Florida Inland Navigation District	0.0345	10.35	0.0385	11.55
	19.1316	\$5,739.48	20.8809	\$6,264.27
Non Ad Valorem Taxes				
Solid Waste Authority Disposal		\$126.00		\$122.00
Wellington Solid Waste Collection		129.00		125.00
Acme Improvement District⁽¹⁾		146.00		120.00
		\$401.00		\$367.00
Total Tax Bill		\$6,140.48		\$6,631.27

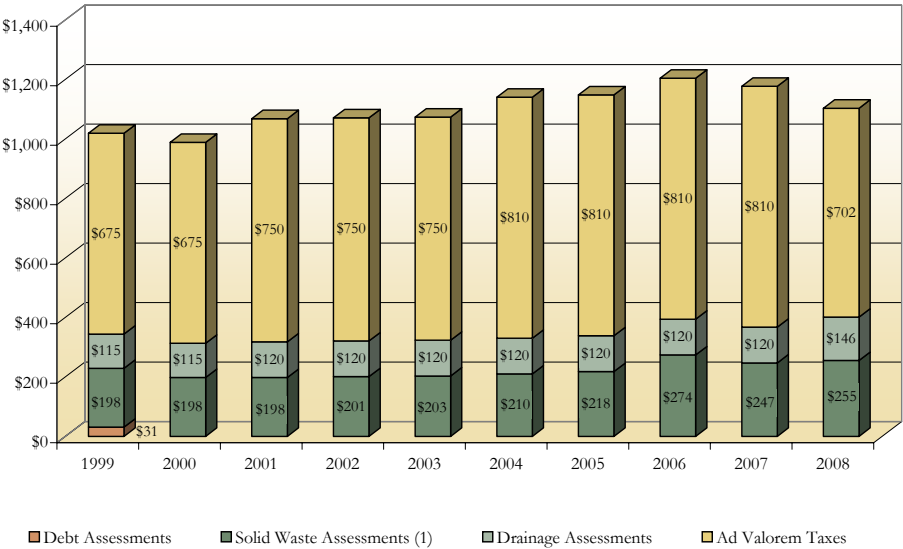
⁽¹⁾ Properties east of 441 are not assessed by ACME



Where the Money Comes From & Where it Goes - All Funds

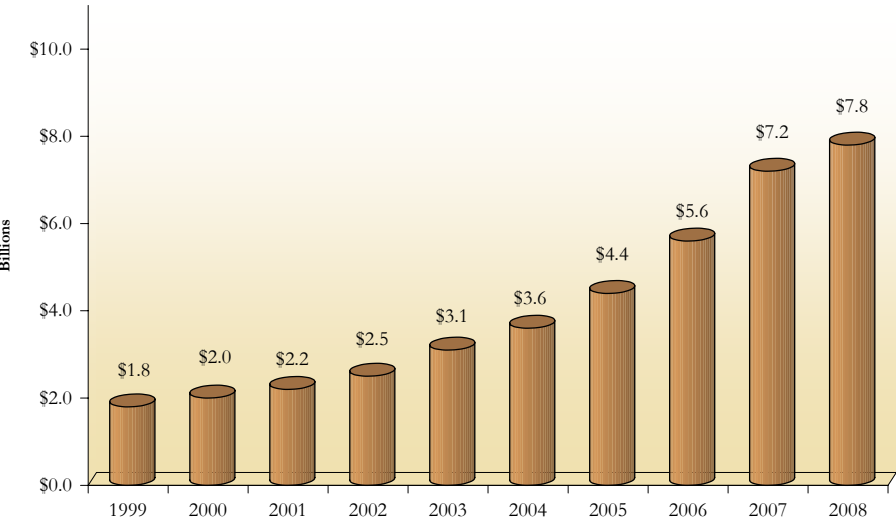


Historical Total Local Taxes



(1) Includes Wellington Collection and Solid Waste Disposal Fees for historical comparison

Historical Taxable Value by Year (in billions)



Community Facts

Village Demographics

Estimated population	58,179
Median age	37
Registered voters	31,174
Square miles of land	45.34
Number of Water Accounts	19,695
Number of Sewer Accounts	17,994
Police protection	
♦ Sworn officers	58
♦ Civilian employees	58
Law Enforcement Statistics:(FY2006)	
♦ Highest Crime Clearance Rate	30.5%
♦ Lowest Crime Rate	3.0%
Fire-Rescue Protection	
♦ Fire stations	4
♦ Total Staff	71

Village Maintained Facilities

Acres of recreational land	562
Number of parks	30+
Miles of paved roads	174.2
Miles of unpaved roads	36.5
Miles of sidewalks	348
Miles of canals	96
Acres of lakes	269.67
Number of streetlights	2,187

Recreational Programs

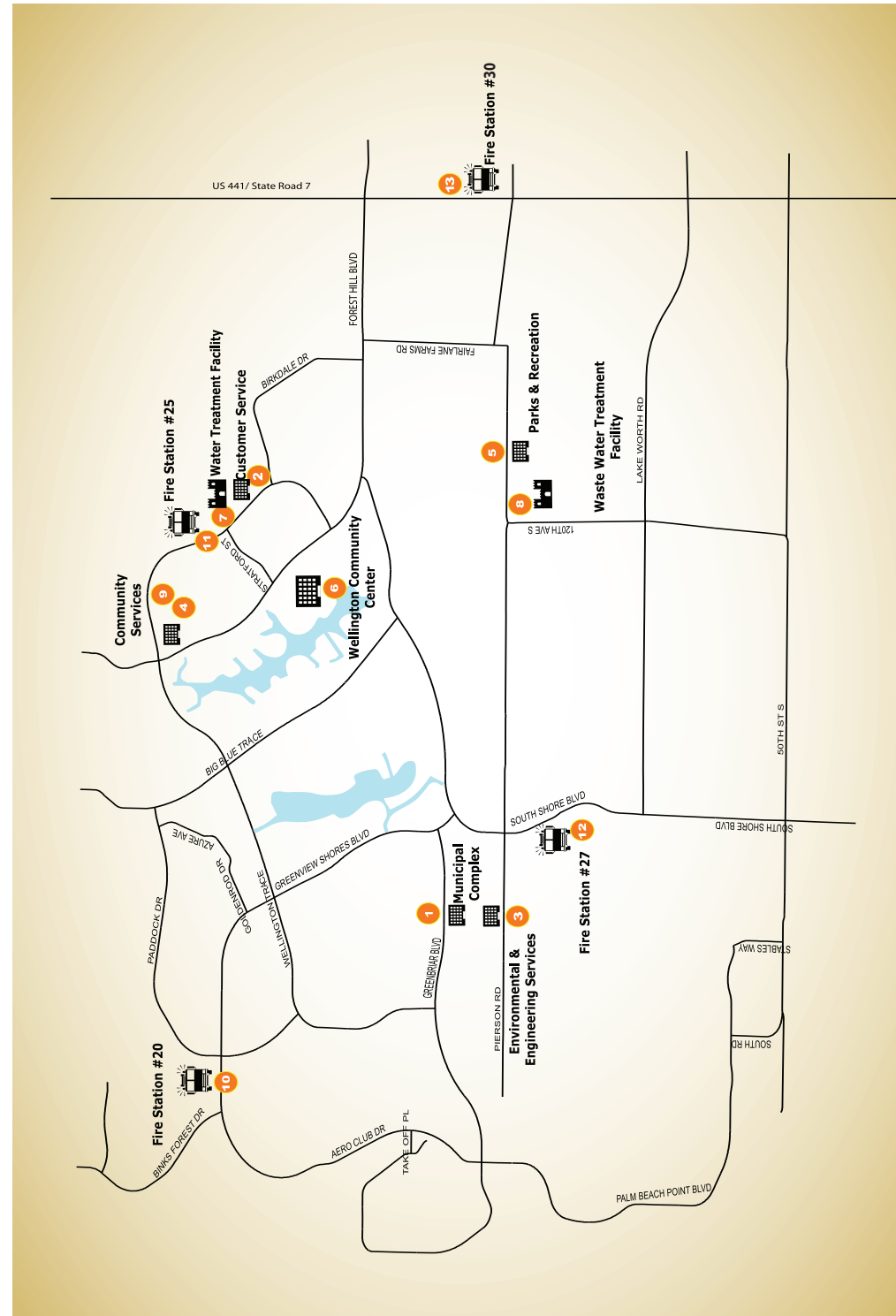
Programs offered	1,321
Special Events held	42
Program attendance	217,206

Village Educational Enrollment (at September 2007)

Elementary Schools (6)	5,460
Middle Schools (3)	3,197
High Schools (2)	4,929
Total:	13,586

Locations

1. **Municipal Complex**
(Includes Administration, Village Clerk, Employment Services, IT, Legal & Financial Services)
14000 Greenbriar Blvd
Wellington, FL 33414
(561) 791-4000
2. **Customer Service (Utilities)**
1100 Wellington Trace
Wellington, FL 33414
(561) 791-4010
3. **Public Works**
(Includes Public Works Administration, Environmental Engineering Services, Laboratory, Solid Waste and Emergency Operations)
14001 Pierson Road
Wellington, Florida 33414
561-791-4003
4. **Community Services**
(Includes Planning & Zoning, Building, Code Compliance and Comprehensive Planning)
12794 West Forest Hill Boulevard,
Suites 23&10
Wellington, Florida 33414
561-753-2430
5. **Village Park**
(Includes Leisure Services, Parks Operations & Facilities and Athletic Programs)
11700 Pierson Road
Wellington, Florida 33414
561-791-4005
6. **Wellington Community Center**
(Includes Community Programs, Aquatics Complex and Tennis Center)
12165 West Forest Hill Boulevard
Wellington, Florida 33414
561-753-2484
7. **Water Treatment Facility**
1100 Wellington Trace
Wellington, Florida 33414
561-791-4030
8. **Waste Water Treatment Facility**
11860 Pierson Road
Wellington, Florida 33414
561-791-4039
9. **Palm Beach Sheriff's Office Wellington Substation**
12794 West Forest Hill Boulevard,
Suite 14A
Wellington, Florida 33414
561-688-5419 - Non Emergencies
561-688-3000 - Non Emergencies - County 24 hours
10. **Fire Station #20**
1000 Greenview Shores
11. **Fire Station #25**
1060 Wellington Trace
12. **Fire Station #27**
3411 South Shore Boulevard
13. **Fire Station #30**
9610 Pierson Road
Palm Beach County Fire-Rescue, Administration
50 Military Trail, Suite 101
West Palm Beach, FL 33415
561-616-7000 Special Operations



In order to receive this Budget Award, the Village had to satisfy nationally recognized program criteria in all four categories, namely: for effective budget presentation as a policy document; a financial plan; and operations guide; and a communications device.



GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

*Distinguished
Budget Presentation
Award*

PRESENTED TO

**Village of Wellington
Florida**

For the Fiscal Year Beginning

October 1, 2006

President

Executive Director

Copies of the Village of Wellington comprehensive Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 and other related finance publications are available for downloading from our website www.ci.wellington.fl.us. Copies of the Village Budget are also available on CD from the budget office who would be happy to answer your budget questions - 561-791-4111 or 561-791-4000.